

Newtown Creek Early Action Concept



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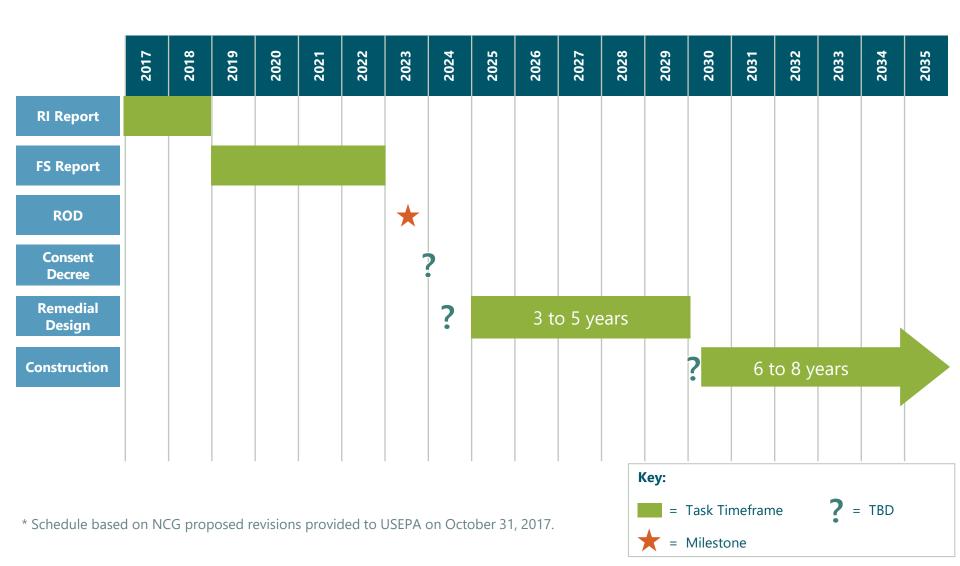
Early Action Concept for Newtown Creek

- Benefits of Early Action concept
 - Helps coordinate CERCLA and CWA actions by providing certainty in cleanup goals
 - Allows for a remedy to be undertaken in a portion of the creek in advance of the final ROD, with monitoring to confirm effectiveness
- Early Action concept is consistent with USEPA guidance
 - 2017 Superfund Task Force recommendations
 - USEPA's 2017 Directive (9200.1-130)
 - Precedent at other Superfund sites
- NCG needs confirmation that creek-wide sediment PRGs will be based on Ind/CSO 95/95 UTL and reflect conditions of urban environment
 - Consistent PRGs should be established and apply to any early or final action in all of Newtown Creek

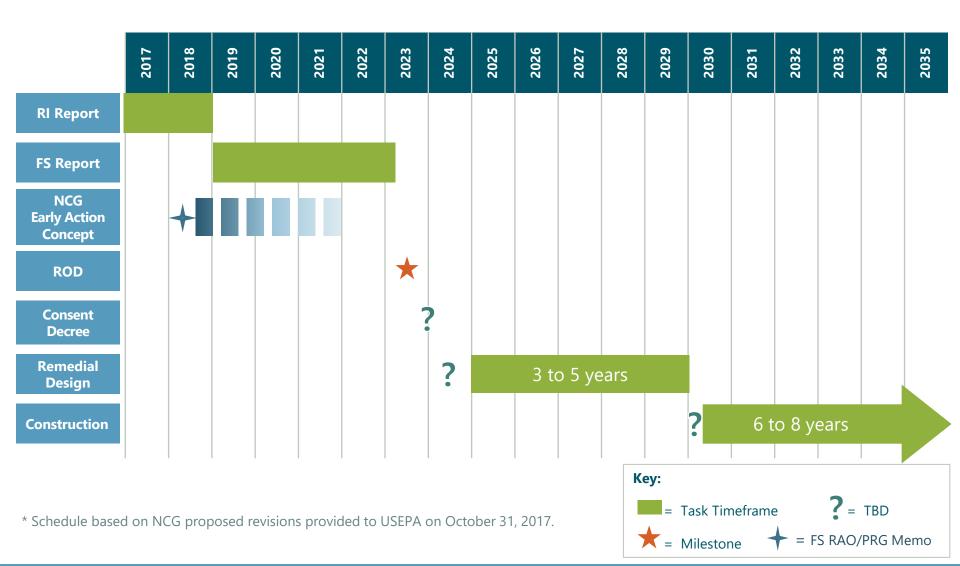
Progress for the Superfund Remedy at Newtown Creek

- Early Action concept intended to be a final remedy in nearly half of site (CM 0–2) where natural recovery is already ongoing, with monitoring to confirm effectiveness
 - Target removal of areas with surface sediments with PCB, PAH, or copper concentrations above PRGs in lower 2 miles
- Potential regulatory options
 - Focused Feasibility Study with Interim ROD
- Key additional ongoing data needs and integration
 - NAPL mobility (ongoing)
 - Draft BERA

Draft Newtown Creek Schedule* and NCG Early Action Concept



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Questions/Discussion



PCBs PAHs Copper

Surface Sediment Above CSO/Industrial BTVs

